



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

: Confirmation No. 9880

Noriaki TAKAICHI

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Serial No. 09/980,311

: Group Art Unit 2187

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: Examiner Kimberly McLean-Mayo

DATA PREREADING DEVICE, DATA
PREREADING METHOD, AND ITS
RECORDING MEDIA (AS AMENDED)

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

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THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED
TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE
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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated April 15, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

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